(क) क्या यह सच है कि ग्रामीण विद्युतीकरण निगम ग्रामीण क्षेत्रों के लिए विभिन्न परियोजनाओं का निर्माण करता है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या विगत वर्षों में योजना और कार्यक्रम कार्यान्वयन विभाग ने इन परियोजनाओं के कार्यान्वयन का कोई मूल्यांकन किया है ;

(ग) यदि हां, तो वर्ष 1990-91 और 1991-92 के दौरान निगम द्वारा आरम्भ की गई परियोजनाओं की वर्ष-वार संख्या क्या है ;

(घ) उनमें से ऐसी कितनी परियोजनाएं हैं जिन्हें निर्धारित अवधि के भीतर पूरा कर लिया गया है ; और

(ङ) शेष परियोजनाओं को समय पर पूरा न किए जाने के क्या कारण हैं ?

विद्युत मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री कल्पनाथ राय) : (क) जी, नहीं। आर.ई.सी. ग्रामीण क्षेत्रों में विद्युतीकरण सम्बन्धी परियोजनाओं के निर्माण कार्यों को अपने हाथ में नहीं लेता है। यह केवल राज्य बिजली बोर्डों को वित्तय सहायता उपलब्ध कराता है जोकि परियोजनाओं के निर्माण सम्बन्धी कार्यों को अपने हाथों में लेते हैं।

(ख) से (ङ) प्रश्न नहीं उठता।

Use of illegal electricity by jhuggi dwellers in Delhi

4340. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a act that most of the jhuggi dwellers in Delhi are getting power supply through illegal connections obtained with the connivance of the DESU officials as reported in the Hindustan Times of 7th August, 1992;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the heavy load on the lines resulting due to power theft, is causing repeated failure of the power system in Delhi;

(c) the number of illegal connections removed by DESU and NDMC during the past one year; and

(d) if the answer to parts (a) and (b) above be in the affirmative, what steps Government have taken to check the power theft, the failure of power system and against the DESU officials found involved in the power theft and other irregularities?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) to (d) According to DESU, most of the Jhuggi Jhopri dwellers illegally draw electcity by direct tapping through the street lighting mains. This sometimes causes overloading on lines and disruptions in power supply in the neighbourring areas. During the years 1991-92, DESU had removed 44392 direct tappings in such clusters. NDMC has removed the unauthorised connections in five J.J. Clusters in its area. DESU has intensified its drive against theft of electricity which has been made a cognizable offence under the Indian Electicity Act, 1910. Action is also taken against the DESU officials involved in power thefts wherever any such specific case is brought to the notice to DESU and theft established.

Revision of power tariffs by SEBs

4341. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) what are the accumulated losses of SEBs as at the end of 1991-92;